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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Neumayr et al.

Group Art Unit: 1771

Serial No.: 09/485,277

Examiner: Juska, C.

Filed: May 17, 2000

Docket No.: 1328/3

Confirmation No.: 1728

For: PROCESS TO MANUFACTURE A CELLULOSE FIBRE FROM HYDRATE CELLULOSE

AMENDMENT B

Mail Stop [Non]-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the second and final Official Action mailed December 16, 2002, having a period for Response set to expire on March 16, 2003. A three (3) month Petition for Extension of Time and Notice of Appeal are being filed herewith to extend the time to respond to June 16, 2003. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

AMENDMENT

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

—The ripened crumbs are subsequently treated under application of the conventional wet sulphide process in order to sulphidise the cellulose. The wet sulphide process is preferably carried out in a solution containing carbon